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Senate approves Van Woerkom legislation creating Clean Corporate Citizen incentives

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LANSING – Legislation to make achieving Clean Corporate Citizen designation more attractive to businesses was approved Thursday by the Michigan Senate, Sen. Gerald Van Woerkom announced.

Senate Bill 399, sponsored by Van Woerkom, would give C3 designees regulated by the Medical Waste and Radiation Control Act a one-time permit discount. Specifically, a qualifying entity would receive a \$500 discount on the next permit fee it had to pay under the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act.

"The Clean Corporate Citizen program is a wonderful way to highlight companies whose values include a strong environmental ethic," said Van Woerkom, R-Norton Shores. "By rewarding environmental stewardship with real, tangible benefits such as permit-fee discounts, we can encourage more companies to seek C3 designation."

SB 399 now goes to the House of Representatives for consideration.

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